

Crockett State Park Summer Program Schedule

WEDNESDAY, JULY 4
10:00 a.m. - Trail of Tears Hike; Join Addison at the head of the Trail of Tears. This hike is approximately 5 miles and is mostly flat terrain.
1:00 p.m. - Black Powder Demonstration; Meet Addison at the Crockett Museum.
2:00 p.m. - Toys of the Past; Crockett Museum.
3:30 p.m. - Creek Stomp; Join up with Addison at Crockett Falls.
5:30 p.m. - Tennessee's Birds of Prey; Come to Campground 2.
THURSDAY, JULY 5
1 p.m. - Not-So-Scary Animals; Crockett Museum.
3 p.m. - Tennessee Fun Facts; Crockett Museum.
5 p.m. Snakes of Tennessee (Museum)
FRIDAY, JULY 6
10 a.m. - Beginner's Plant ID Hike; Join Addison at Shelter 1.
1 p.m.- Pelt Display; Addison at the museum.
3 p.m. Edible Plants; Crockett Museum.
5 p.m. - Tennessee's Birds of Prey; Campground 1.
SATURDAY, JULY 7
10 a.m. - Alphabet Hike; Start a hike with Addison at the Crockett Museum. This hike will be approximately a mile and a half and is for easy to moderate hikers.
1 p.m. Frontier Games; Meet Addison at the front office to play games that Frontier children would have played.
3 p.m. - Medicinal Plants, Part II
 Crockett Museum.
5 p.m. - Snakes of Tennessee; Join Addison at the Boat Dock.
7:30p.m. - Amphitheater Movie Night
 Come enjoy a free movie at the amphitheater, located behind the pool. We will be watching *Over the Hedge*.
SUNDAY, JULY 8
1p.m.: Museum Tour; Join Addison at the Crockett Museum for a walk through Crockett's life.
2:30 p.m. - Black Powder Demonstration
3:00 PM: Toys of the Past
 Crockett Museum.
4 p.m. - Creek Stomp; Join up with Addison at Crockett Falls for a nice stroll in the creek. Make sure to wear appropriate shoes and clothing!
5:30 p.m. - Tennessee's Birds of Prey; Museum aviary.



Justin Kanew and his family greet supporters in Lawrence County.

Kanew...

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I googled him and found that he was indeed in the film industry and had starred in *The Amazing Race* not once but twice. This 19 county visit was Justin's own *Amazing Race* through Tennessee District 7.

When I called Justin to set up our interview, I asked him about this. He told me he had enjoyed his time in the film industry, but he saw so many things to be fixed in our country that he was concerned about for his daughter's future that he decided to put his career as a writer/producer on hold to run for office. He and his wife Nicole came to Tennessee in 2016, when they looked for a community-oriented place to raise their 2-year-old Kaia, visited a friend in Nashville, and fell in love with Tennessee. "I didn't grow up here, but our baby girl is growing up here," he said. "This is our home. It's a special, faithful place where people take care of their neighbors, and I believe it deserves a representative who embodies that spirit."

I met him again at a Meet and Greet in Crockett Park. He, Nicole, and Kaia were camping in the park and would be camping for the 19 days they visited 19 rural counties. As an avid camper, I was impressed at this young man's tenacity and his willingness to get to know the people and the countryside of every county.

Our interview came later. Camping in Benton County in Camden, Tennessee, he was able to speak at a quiet time between his events:

EWK: What are you doing in the counties you visit?
JK: Most have two things

scheduled, a Meet and Greet and a charitable event. Today we did Second Harvest and handed out food to around 150 people. I want to know these folks and hear their stories, so I walk around the squares and down the streets when we get a break. People are hurting. When you're giving food to people who need it, they aren't asking if you are a Democrat or Republican. They're just hungry. We are the richest country in the world and have way too many people who can't make ends meet.

EWK: You do realize that Republicans want to feed the poor too. They just want the churches and charitable organizations to pay for it, not us through our government.
JK: Of course, and I get that... But even charitable organizations need the government. They apply for grants and other assistance. People sometimes don't realize that. Meanwhile, Congress just passed a 1.5 trillion dollar tax cut mainly for the top 1%, and now they are discussing cutting Medicare, Medicaid, and Social Security to pay for it. It's tax cuts for the top, program cuts for everyone else. Something's fundamentally wrong there.

EWK: Would you support welfare reform so that Republicans feel as if Democrats aren't just pulling for handouts?
JK: We can talk about welfare reform, and there are definitely things we need to fix, but that goes both ways. When people have full time jobs and also have to rely on food stamps and Medicaid to survive, that's a form of corporate welfare. If we are going to talk about welfare reform, we have to look at both sides of the equation. We simply can't balance the budget on the backs of the most vulnerable people in our country. I see that as essentially a war on the poor.

EWK: So what is your plan to get these people out of poverty?
JK: Poverty is not a state of mind. It comes from many things, being born to poor families who struggle, having a medical setback or accident—just about anybody can find themselves needing help. But our country is the richest on earth, and we can afford to do better. I'm for getting health care to all Tennesseans. Subsidizing daycare for lower income families. And raising the minimum wage to a living wage. These are things we can and must do.

EWK: To what amount?
JK: It's now \$7.25 an hour. That's not enough for someone to be able to live and afford housing, insurance, food, utilities, etc. The cost of living is less in Lawrence County than say San Francisco, but \$7.25 is not enough even for Lawrence County. Paying people better and educating people sooner are not pie in the sky ideas. Other countries with nowhere near our wealth are doing this. I'm tired of being told we can't.

EWK: You mentioned educating children sooner. How does this help?
JK: My wife Nicole is a behavioral therapist for special education children in Rutherford County. She works with autistic and other mentally impaired children. She sees the need for early education. So, I'm for universal Pre-K for all children. And though teacher pay is primarily a state issue, I'm all for higher wages for teachers. Teachers shouldn't have to be marching in the streets to fund our children's education. We need to fully fund our schools and invest in our future, and I'm against vouchers that steer our public tax dollars away from public schools to private schools. This just takes money away from public schools. Educating our children is an investment in our future, and we need to prioritize it.

EWK: What is your impression of Lawrence County?
JK: The people are always very friendly and warm. I've been down here countless times since I started running a year ago. We love Crockett Park! Like other rural counties, people need to be put to work. We must offer companies incentives to locate here. Back in the day, rural counties didn't have telephones. So, as a country we invested in telephones to connect rural communities. Telephones connected people emotionally as well. Now we must do this with rural broadband. It can be done. The Universal Service fee still exists to connect schools and libraries and build our rural broadband. We need to make sure it's going to the right places and increase the investment. Rural broadband should be treated like a public good. Even Marsha Blackburn talks about this. I say we stop talking about it and DO something about it. And, by the way, can you imagine the jobs that would come here? The urban/rural divide is a problem. When kids graduate they move to cities for jobs. If broadband were national, companies would invest here. People would have so many

more opportunities to work. Let's put our kids to work so our grandkids will stay.

EWK: Do you think Lawrence County is a candidate for clean energy jobs?
JK: Yes, I think Lawrence County is, and I think Tennessee, home of the TVA, can be doing a lot more when it comes to clean energy. But generally speaking, we need representatives who understand that the challenges climate change poses are very real and that the world is moving towards a future that will use more and more clean energy regardless of what we do because it's cheaper and better for us. Burying our heads in the sand about this issue will only cause us to fall further and further behind while hurting future generations. Climate change is regularly at the top of the list of concerns for young voters in the district. We're doing them a grave disservice by turning a deaf ear to them.

EWK: What about taxes?
JK: I'm for tax fairness and incentivizing investment. Tax credits, not tax cuts. I realize this is a conservative view, but tax credits require proof of investment. The tax cuts that went towards the upper 1% of our country required no proof that they actually spent the money on wages for working families. I believe working people of America are the real job creators—without customers, there are no jobs. The middle class is disappearing, and that hurts everyone. As a union member I know the numbers show unions and the middle class go hand in hand. Regarding the GOP tax cut—most of those companies gave employees a one-time bonus but no raise. The majority of the money went towards stock buy-backs. This is not the way to invest in workers.

EWK: Then there's healthcare. You must have an opinion on this polarizing subject.
JK: I believe healthcare is a right and not a privilege. People shouldn't be choosing between food and their health. The Tennessee GOP has a proposal to be able to barter goods for medical care. This is primitive and ugly. We need to get care to our citizens, whether it be through Medicare for all, a public option... somehow some way we need everyone covered. They say it will cost too much, but what we have right now costs too much at almost twice the GDP of the next country. And we should've expanded Medicaid, which our Republican governor wanted to do, which cost our state \$23 Billion over a decade. Not doing so was putting politics over people, and my opponent, Mark Green, had a big hand in that. That's something he needs to answer for.

EWK: What do you want Lawrence County voters to know about you?
JK: That I believe the dividing line in this country is not between Democratic voters and Republican voters. It's between special interests and the people. That's why I raised \$250,000 without taking one single dollar from PACs and special interests. I want it to be clear—I stand with the people... all people. Not just Democrats. Most of the things we're talking about here—health care, better wages for workers, rural broadband, public education, clean energy investments and climate change—these should not be and are not partisan issues. If we stand together we can accomplish a lot. No matter what letter is next to your name, if you put the people first, I'm listening. We have more in common than we realize. We have to get back to talking to each other and working together. I just hope people will get to know me, and I think if they do they'll see that at the end of the day, the "D" stands for Decency more than anything else.

EWK: Wow. Okay!

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